

SENATE BILL 2449  
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AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 49, Chapter 4, Part 9, relative to lottery scholarships.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE:

SECTION 1. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 49-4-902, is amended by deleting item (5) in its entirety and by substituting instead the following:

(5) "College core curriculum" means the high school courses in the curriculum approved by the state board of education for those students intending to attend a college or university.

SECTION 2. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 49-4-902, is amended by adding a new, appropriately designated item:

( ) "Technical preparation core curriculum" means the high school courses in the curriculum approved by the state board of education for those students intending to pursue technical training.

SECTION 3. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 49-4-907(3)(A), is amended by deleting subitem (ii) in its entirety and by substituting instead the following:

(ii)

(a) Achieve a final unweighted grade point average of at least 3.0 in the college core curriculum. Such grade point average shall be calculated using all college core courses taken by the student; or

(b) Achieve a final unweighted grade point average of at least 3.0 in the technical preparation core curriculum. Such grade point average shall be calculated using all technical preparation core courses taken by the student; or

SECTION 4. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 49-4-916(a), is amended by deleting subdivision (3) in its entirety and by substituting instead the following:

(3)

(A) Achieve a final unweighted grade point average of at least 3.75 in the college core curriculum. Such grade point average shall be calculated using all college core courses taken by the student; or

(B) Achieve a final unweighted grade point average of at least 3.75 in the technical preparation core curriculum. Such grade point average shall be calculated using all technical preparation core courses taken by the student;

SECTION 5. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 49-4-916(d)(1), is amended by deleting subdivision (B) in its entirety and by substituting instead the following:

(B)

(i) Achieved a final unweighted high school grade point average of at least 3.75 in the college core curriculum. Such grade point average shall be calculated using all college core courses taken by the student; or

(ii) Achieved a final unweighted grade point average of at least 3.75 in the technical preparation core curriculum. Such grade point average shall be calculated using all technical preparation core courses taken by the student; and

SECTION 6. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 49-4-920(a), is amended by deleting subdivision (6) in its entirety and by substituting instead the following:

(6)

(A) Achieve a final unweighted grade point average of at least 3.75 in the college core curriculum. Such grade point average shall be calculated using all college core courses taken by the student; or

(B) Achieve a final unweighted grade point average of at least 3.75 in the technical preparation core curriculum. Such grade point average shall be calculated using all technical preparation core courses taken by the student; and

SECTION 7. This act shall take effect upon becoming a law, the public welfare requiring it, and shall apply to students seeking financial assistance from lottery proceeds for the 2004-2005 school year and thereafter